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3. At the DD/P Staff Meeting emphasized to all Division Chiefs the necessity for recruiting additional qualified people on the outside. He feels very strongly that there simply aren't enough qualified hands to do the job that the DD/P area has to do and urged everyone to recruit. (We must get the DD/P ceiling question before the Director at an early date.)

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4. and I met with Harland Bartholomew and Jack Nolen, Chairman and Director, respectively, of the National Capital Planning Commission, at which time I briefed them on the current status of our thinking with regard to the location of our new building. Although I did not give them the full "why's and wherefore's," they understand that as of now we do not propose to build in Maryland or the District of Columbia, that we do not propose to comply with current dispersion standards, but that we do propose to build in Virginia at either the Winkler or Langley properties. I explained that we had requested \$8.5 million to be transferred to the Department of the Interior for the construction of an extension to the George Washington Memorial Parkway. Mr. Nolen said that the National Capital Planning Commission was responsible for acquiring the right of way and was not sure that they had sufficient funds to do it. He suggested that our language ought to make provision for the transfer of funds to them also. Told him that I would have to look into this. (Have done so with Lyman Hamilton, Bureau of the Budget, who, at first, was sure that Jack Nolen was wrong; however, on further investigation he deter-

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mined that the National Capital Planning Commission does acquire the right of way. Accordingly, we must look into this early Monday morning and see if our legislation requires any further amendment.)

5. I advised Warren McNeill, Administrative Assistant to Senator Robertson, of the fact that we had submitted amended legislation which would provide for the construction of an extension to the George Washington Memorial Parkway if Langley should be selected as our building site. H

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6. Kirk called about the possibility of releasing [] about the end of October for the position of Chief of Administration for the EE Division. Told him to have Jack get in touch with me when he returned to duty sometime next week at which time I would discuss the matter with him.

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7. Talked to [] about the [] case. Told him that the Office of Security should be prepared to accept the assignment of Mr. [] and to let me know as soon as arrangements had been made to do so.

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8. [] requested permission to look around for an assistant to him in the [] office. I approved and told him that I would also ask the Office of Personnel to look inside the Agency for a possible candidate.

9. Frank Wisner advised me of a problem involving Admiral [] the gist of which seems to be as follows:

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The WE Division and [] in working on Admiral []'s allowances for his new assignment in [] had established what they thought was adequate....I believe about \$12,000 total. [] reduced this amount to \$10,000. When the Admiral was advised of the figure by [] he blew his stack. [] tipped me off that [] was furious and I said that I would alert Frank Wisner. However, before I reached Frank he was looking for me to tell me that [] had been in to discuss this matter, had started a real fight, and had revealed some characteristics which he was most unhappy about.

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As I understand it, Admiral [] wanted \$10,000 for his personal allowance, \$4,000 for other members of the [] Station, and \$7,500 for the War Planning Group; total: \$21,500. He also wanted a provision for evening clothes. In addition, he requested that any reference to a prohibition against entertaining Americans be deleted and wanted it so written (according to Wisner) that his entire living expenses, including all food, all servants, all everything, would be at Uncle Sam's expense. Apparently Frank, Dick, and [] had a pretty rough session with plenty of blood spilled all over the place and [] on his departure, announced that in the future he would deal with no one except the Director and the DD/S insofar as allowances were concerned.

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I have asked [] to get me both versions of the Letter of Instructions early on Monday morning. Frank has also spoken to General Cabell about this and General Cabell has spoken to me. It is undoubtedly something that will have to be settled by the Director, and no matter how it comes out I am afraid that there will be some permanent scars left.

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